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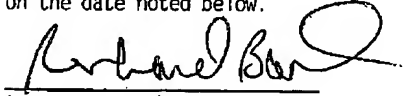
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Applicants : Yasushi HANAYAMA et al.  
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For : MOX FUEL ASSEMBLY FOR  
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(Restriction Requirement) is extended three months by a Petition  
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